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Livestock grants awarded to 15 organizations

INDIANAPOLIS (Feb. 16, 2016) —The <u>Indiana State Department of Agriculture (ISDA)</u> awarded \$127,000 in livestock grant funding to 15 nonprofit organizations to fund projects that will foster growth within the Hoosier livestock industry. Total funding requested was \$262,600.

"These grants become more competitive every year as more people become aware of this funding opportunity, and we enjoy seeing the new and innovative ideas that are submitted," ISDA Director Ted McKinney said. "The projects selected represent those that will have the greatest impact and that transcend the livestock industry. We are excited to partner with these organizations."

Grant submissions were reviewed by a committee to determine the programs and events that will have the greatest impact on all sectors of Indiana agriculture.

The following organizations and projects received funding (click here for a PDF of the recipients):

Organization:	Project/Program:	Funding:
All American Horse Charities	All American Horse Classic	\$20,000
American Berkshire Association	Expanding pork quality to Indiana consumers	\$5,000
	through marketing Berkshire pork	
Fountain Co. Beef Producers	Fountain County Preview Show	\$2,000
Indiana Beef Cattle Association	Hoosier Beef Congress	\$15,000
Indiana Boer Goat Classic	Indiana Boer Goat Classic Series	\$5,000
Indiana Dairy Producers	Farm & Industry Tour	\$10,000
Indiana Milk Qual. Professionals	Indiana Milk Quality Conference	\$5,000
Indiana Pork	IN Pork/Feeding Indiana's Hungry	\$11,000
	Partnership at the Indiana State Fair	
Indiana Quarter Horse Association	IQHA Breeders Futurity	\$5,000
IN Board of Animal Health	Video software to create educational videos	\$1,000
	for livestock producers and	
	Celebration of Champions (Livestock	
Indiana State Fair Foundation	Promotion)	\$10,000
	Swine Barn Renovation Study (Market	
Indiana State Fair Foundation	Development)	\$10,000
Indianapolis Charity Horse Show Inc.	Indianapolis Charity Horse Show	\$5,000
Kosciusko Co. Extension	Dairy Youth Academy	\$2,000
Northern IN Dairy Trail	Northern IN Dairy Trail	\$10,000
Turkey Market Development Council	'Moms choose turkey' campaign	\$11,000

Information about the 2017 grant cycle should be available early fall. Non-profit organizations interested in submitting a grant proposal for 2017 should contact Agricultural Marketing & Industry Development Manager Kimmi Devaney at KDevaney@isda.in.gov.

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ABOUT ISDA

The Indiana State Department of Agriculture (ISDA) was established as a separate state agency by the Legislature in 2005. The Director is appointed by the Governor and is a member of the Governor's Cabinet. Administratively, ISDA reports to Lt. Governor Sue Ellspermann, who also serves as Indiana's Secretary of Agriculture. Major responsibilities include advocacy for Indiana agriculture at the local, state and federal level, managing soil conservation programs, promoting economic development and agricultural innovation, serving as a regulatory ombudsman for agricultural businesses, and licensing grain firms throughout the state.

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